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Romance Time-Limit Ticket

By BELLE MANIATES

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THE blue-coated ticket taker walked down the aisle of the rapidly moving train, with the ease peculiar to train efficials. He had an exceedingly bored air, from the fact that already seven tickets, purchased from scalpers and exceeding the date of expiration by one day, had been tendered him.

"Why is it," he asked, as he encountered the Pullman conductor in the vestibule, "that people hate to cough up the price of a railroad ticket? I don't know of anyone who gets money given so grudgingly as a conductor.

"Unless it is a dentist," suggested the Pullman conductor.

The train conductor pursued his way into the diner. From a wellgroomed, well-garbed man, who looked as if he might live at the axpense of the government, the conductor fully expected a pass. Instead, he got one of the bogus tickets.

"You, too!" he exclaimed, grimly. "What's the matter?" asked the passenger, pausing in his perusal of the menu card.

"You got this at a scalper's, didn't

"Yes; what of it?" "It's N. G. A time limit ticket This is the eighth I've had offered me already. You'll have to pay your

The passenger didn't seem to be particularly disturbed by this intelligence. He paid his fare and resumed his study of the menu card with complacent interest. After a most satisfactory dinner he returned to the coach where he had left his luggage, intending to read, but immediately his attention was diverted from the magazine to the handsome young woman who occupied the section oprotte 'nis. The 'nat noticed 'ner when he boarded the train, and, after a mental analysis, had classified her as a girl one would like to know, but would not dare approach.

To his surprise and distress she was now quietly weeping. A sudden thought came to him. He hunted up the conductor.

'Isn't that v the seat opposite mine one of the un-



"IS SHE CRYING?"

fortunate eight who had time-limit tickets?" he asked. "Yes; she is," snapped the conductor viciously.

"That is what she is crying for, then!"

"Is she crying?" asked the conductor, and Boyden thought he detected

exultance in his tone, "Yes; it may have embarrassed her to pay her fare."

"She hasn't paid it. She says she hasn't got the money to pay it, and I am going to put her off at the next station," he declared emphatically.

"What! You'd put her off-a woman alone and unfortunate?" exclaimed Boyden, indignantly. "She bought her ticket in good faith-as I did.'

The conductor made no reply. "Do you mean," persisted Boyden, wrathfully, "that you are in the habit of putting women off the train if they can't pay?"

"I never put one off before. In fact, only yesterday I lent a woman, who had lost her purse, the money to get home with."

"Why have you got it in for this woman?"

"Because I think she could get home, or wherever she may be going, all right, if she wanted to."

"Now, see here!" argued Boyden. "You know a woman like her wouldn't be put off if she could possibly pay." "I don't know as to that, and I don't care. I do know that I am going to obey orders."

Boyden returned to the Pullman. The young weman was still crying. He took the seat be ide her.

"Pardon me, he said respec fully, "but I think that you, like myself, have been the "nfortunate victim of an unscrupul us scalper "

She looked up and said, eagerly: "Oh, did you have one of those time- and .c. e.

conductor m-ke you pay full fare?" "Yes, of cour e. He had to do that, The Idea That It Soon Wears Out you know. a modgat pendaps the unexpected emergency might have embararssed you financially. I know that when ladies are away from home

penses up to the limit of their cash on hand." She turned brown, appealing eyes to his.

"Really," she said impulsively, and with a little hysterical giggle, "I had money enough to buy a legitimate ticket, and leave a good little margin for incidentals, but I did see such a lovely bargain in a lace collar! 1 bought it and then just had one dollar left after buying that scalper's ticket. That horrid conductor is going to put me off as soon as we stop."

Her tears began to flow again. "No, he won't, by gracious!" thundered Boyden wrathfully.

She looked at him hopefully. "That sounds like Jack's my ther, and he's going to meet me. I told the conductor Jack would be at the station and would pay, but he

wouldn't listen to me." "You must let me help you out," said Boyden, bringing out his pocket-

"Oh, dear! I suppose I ought not to, but—sh—I never did have money

look so tempting." "That's all right. Take this ten-doiar bill-I believe your ticket was to Buffalo. That will pay your fare and

She thanked him effusively. "Where do you live?" she asked. 'Or, where are you going, now?"

"I am going home-to Rochester." "Then Jack can pay you when we get to Buffalo. If he isn't there, I can send it to you at Rochester."

He naturally expected that she would ask for his name and address, but she didn't, and his gallantry would not permit him to ask her name lest she should think he was reminding her of the oversight.

When the conductor came forward, as they were approaching the next station, the young woman paid her fare triumphantly, and Boyden glared at him savagely, but long ago the conductor had become impervious to private-or public-opinions of passen-

Boyden and his young debtor chatted pleasantly for some time, and then he went back to the observation car, where he became involved in an animated political discussion which was prolonged until he realized with a start that they were at Buffalo. He went into the Pullman coach, but the fair passenger was not there.

"She has probably hurried out to get the money of 'Jack,' and will return," he thought.

In order to facilitate this action for her, he went out on the platform and remained there until the train started but he did not have a glimpse of the 'seventh victim of the scalper." He went back to the car, disappointed it How a Farm Conveyance May Be is true, but with his belief in her good faith. "unshahan.. "She was liustrates," he decided, "and forgot it."

Two days later as he picked up as evening paper he read among the personals:

"Will the man who loaned \$10 to the holder of scalper ticket on train useful. This time of the year a sled No. 14 on Tuesday send his address pulls very heavy, but with this imto Jack Linden, care Flanders Manu- provement, it can be made so it takes

facturing company, Buffalo." and that he knew that only her ex- Nearly every farmer has a self-binder citement had prevented her asking him for his address. By return mail he received a letter from Jack Linden with enclosure of a check for \$10, and, what pleased him more, a pretty little note of thanks from Jack's sister, signed Ethel Linden, which was redo-

station again without a ticket. The letter was promptly answered, Buffalo. There was mutual recogni- heavily.-Agricultural Epitomist. tion between himself and the conductor at first glance.

"Got another scalper's ticket?"

asked the latter. Boyden produced his mileage, and remarked:

"I am a better judge of human na ture than you. The young woman whem you thought dishonest and to whom I lent \$10 returned it prompt-

"I didn't think she was dishonest." said the conductor, tearing off the mileage carefully. "I knew you'd get your money back."

"Why wouldn't you trust her, then?" demanded Boyden.

The conductor looked sheepish. "Well, I'll own up," he said, "that I thought she was a spotter. You'd be surprised to know what nice looking women take that job, and I was given a tip that she was one. So I thought she was putting up a bluff to see what I would do. I haven't any use for that sort, and I was going to put her off. I found afterwards I was

And Boyden became sufficiently fond of Ethel to promise her that he would never, never relate to Jack the conductor's suspicions.

Thanksgiving Ceremony.

It's a very formal matter. Eatin' turkey out our way; 'Cause gran'paw allus rises With a word or two to say After gran'maw asks the blessin'; Jest before he starts to carve. It's a joke. We think it's funny.

If we didn't, we might starve It's something about Turkey Getting' all mixed up with Greece. An' how the combination Every year we're all attention:

Not another word is spoke, An' we nearly die a-laughin' When our gran'paw tells his toke -Washington Star.

To Meet the Case. Jimpson-Why do you say such extraordinary things, when you are preaching at the street corners in the slums?

Salvation Army Captain. - Because the folks I am talking to are such extraordinary sinners.-Alley Sloper.

A FALLACY ABOUT SOIL.

Is Declared Not Scientific or True.

The idea that "soil soon wears out" the city of Danville, is not scientific or true. Soil may be Lord 1894, ander the they are quite apt to keep their exexhausted so that it cannot grow good crops of grain, traits and vegetables, and orphans, as long as the widows rebut this implies a regular practice of main respectable.

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Where anything at all approaching it is grand, and the a balance of taking from and giving as good as any othe in a club are so smit back is practiced, the soil is indestructable. Where the taking and giv- | join. Yes, it has ing are just equal, the soil remains at help of God, that one level of productive capacity, no good moral chara matter how long it may be cropped. in body and mind Where the taking exceeds the giving, no matter how slightly, the soil must lose in productive capacity, and ex-Where the giving exceeds the taking, however slightly, the soil grows richer and richer the longer it is cropped.

In some European countries, as Hol-

land, Belgium, Denmark, Germany and England, land that has been cropped for centuries is richer now than it was hundreds of years ago. The farmers have recognized the scientific necessity of giving a little more than they take. At least they have not committed the error of taking more than they give. In China there are vast areas of garden soil that have grown crops for thousands of years of service, and today they are producing crops that are simply amazing to farmers accustomed to the take-all and give-nothing methods that prevail in some coun-

Farmers may draw freely upon their soil so long as they return to it all that part of its produce which they do not sell or consume with the addition of some commercial fertilizer to assure the maintenance of the balance of the plant-food elements in it. The soil can hardly be worn out or destroyed. The worst that even the worst farming can do to it is to use up its available plant food. Even then it still retains plant food elements, and when those elements are made available the soil will return to the work of production.

American farmers, like the farmers in all other new and wide countries, started in to take without giving. Now they are coming to the true idea of farming. It is high time to make a general improvement in farming methods, and the soil will promptly respond to the coming changes in practice.

A HANDY SLED.

Made to Pull Easy in Dry or Muddy Weather.

To make a sled pull easy in dry or muddy weather and answer the purose of a wagon in many ways the device shown here will be found very only one-half the power to pull it, that ter joining He immediately wrote to Jack Lin- is one horse can pull what would reden, telling him how glad he was to quire two horses on an ordinary sled. have rendered assistance to his sister, It is very simple and easy to make.



for cutting his grain; each binder has lent of violets and regret that Jack a set of trucks and that is what this was late for the train, and that the device is made of. Put the trucks ungateman would not let her out of the der the top piece of your sled about two feet back of the center for a 12foot sled, about three feet back for a and two weeks later Jack Linden had 14-foot sled. Either wire or bolt if business in Rochester. Of course, he wood axle; if iron, make a U clamplooked up Boyden, and in the course ing around axle and top of sled to keep of a month the latter wes en route to from slipping endwise when loaded

Preserving the Pork.

I find that nearly every recipe for the preservation of pork that has been given recently in our farm paper contains a certain quantity of saltpeter Now, one of the chemical truths that ! learned during my schooldays was that much of the nutritive value of meat is destroyed by the chemical action of salt and saltpeter and that the nitric acid absorbed by the meat is largely responsible for the diseases common to marines and others who subsist principally upon salt meats. Among these diseases I might mention scurvy, sore gums, decayed teeth, ulcers, etc. I doubt if the effects of saltpeter are so pernicious as represented, since so many good people advocate its use. but I for one am resolved to steer clear of it. I find that sugar is a good substitute and renders the meat sweeter and more wholesome and is equally good as a preservative.-John Jackson, in Agricultural Epitomist.

The Dust Bath.

To keep the fowls free from lice during the winter months nothing is better than the dust-bath. A large box is not required if the attendant will give a little attention to it each day. At this season of the year plenty of road dust can be provided. Get a winter supply, and store in a dry place. third first class fare. and when cold weather comes you will be provided with one of the very best lice powders at very little cost. Take a small box and set in the sun, keep well filled with the fine, loose earth The fowls will do the rest.-Midland Farmer.

How She Managed It.

They were seated in the parlor and there was a hitch in the conversation. He seemed a trille nervous and she seemed a trifle bored. Finally he said:
"What a lovely evening for a walk!" "Indeed it is," she rejoined. "Would you like to take a walk?" "Above all things," he assented

"Then why don't you?" she queried And he did.-Chicago News.

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Dear friend, will begin to burn the li d wisdom? Let us have more love each other, as haustion is only a question of time. Christ has commanded of us, and let us be more truthful to our fellow men, yes. let our words to all men be yea, yea, and nay, nay. And let us be more charitable to each other. These are the principles of the grand and noble order of the Seven Rising Sons of America.

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nal: "The bird lice belongs to the group nor women of Mallophaga, quite clatimet from human nest and sound lice (Pediclidae) and from mammalian lice (Haematopinus). 'a hese Mallophaga have not a piercing mouta, their mouth ot start now to is simply used for billing. They subsist upon the productions of the skin and fragments of feathers. They cause violent itching and bite sharply and must produce considerable pain when present hackle, generally show notched edges with lice infestation.

"Eight distinct species of lice attack fowls. The presence of these lice (Phthiriases) is generally ascribed to toe uniform or insufficient autrition, or else to damp, dark and dirty runs, especially those badly ventilated. Foed. either when uniform or insufficient, has no effect upon their presence. Dark, damp places, however, when dirty are sure to harbor all there pests, especially when badly ventilated. It is also said that certain breeds affect their presence, but observation tends to show that all breeds are more or less subjected to infestation. In every case they set up severe irritation and in-



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leads to stunted growth, and even death. Lice and other parasites flour-

ish on unhealthy birds. "All lice breed rather rapidly. The eggs or nuts are laid upon the down eathers, as a rule; they are often beautifully sculptured objects, oval in form. In about six to ten days they hatch into small, pale, active lice, which at once commence to irritate the birds. The adults are occasionally found in the nests. Some species are found copulating in the nests. Menopon pallidium have been kept alive for months upon fresh feathers, the quill epidermis being especially eaten. Before reaching the full-grown state as many as ten to 12 molts apparently take place, there being little difference in each stage, except the gradual darkening of the markings."

"I, sir, am a self-made man." "Ah, that's where you show your strength of character

"Yes?" "Yes, a fellow with less nerve would blame it on Providence."--Philadelphia Press.

Financially All There. "To dissipation each one leans And then her mother answered: "Dear, It is not ways -N. Y. Herald. ways one wants, but means."

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